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FODAG, KUALA LUMPUR PASS USDEL BAKER

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SUBJECT: FAO/FERC: AGRARIAN REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

REFS: A) KUALA LUMPUR 8025  
B) KUALA LUMPUR 8026

1. QUICK GLANCE AT REFTELS LEADS US TO CONCLUDE THAT,  
WHILE MUCH IF NOT MOST OF THE ANALYSIS OF AGRARIAN REFORM  
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES IN "THE KUALA LUMPUR COMMIT-  
MENT TO ACTION" IS ADMIRABLE AND SUPPORTABLE, THE U.S. IS  
NOT RPT NOT IN A POSITION TO ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH MOST  
RECOMMENDATIONS IN SECTION VI REF B ("INTERNATIONAL CO-  
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OPERATION IN AGRARIAN REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT") AND,  
HENCE, CANNOT ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH RESOLUTION.

2. WHILE WE LEAN IN DIRECTION OF OPTION 2 (PARA 3 REF A),  
THIS OPTION LIKE OPTION 1 CANNOT BE SUPPORTED. ITS RATION-  
ALE THAT U.S. CANNOT ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH RESOLUTION BE-  
CAUSE OF THE UNIQUE RURAL CHARACTER OF CONTINENTAL U.S.

DOES NOT ADEQUATELY ADDRESS OUR PROBLEMS WITH POSSIBLE OUTSIDE CALLS FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION IN THE U.S. PACIFIC TERRITORIES NOR ITS CONFLICTS WITH U.S. BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE POLICIES.

3. MORE SPECIFICALLY, U.S. CANNOT SUPPORT RECOMMENDATIONS (A) AND (B) REF B BECAUSE THESE COMMIT US TO BUDGETARY EXPENDITURES PRIOR TO FULL EXECUTIVE OR CONGRESSIONAL EVALUATION BY THE STATUTORILY-MANDATED PROCESSES. A FAMILIAR REASON.

4. RECOMMENDATION (C) IS EGREGIOUS AND WOULD BEST BE STRICKEN, WHILE (D), IN AID'S OPINION, GIVES UNDUE STRENGTH TO TCDC.

5. A POLITICAL CAVEAT IS IN ORDER, EVEN THOUGH WE ARE UNCLEAR HOW RESOLUTION MAY APPLY TO IT. IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE FOR US TO TIE OURSELVES TO A DOCUMENT WHICH, EVEN INDIRECTLY, COULD BE USED AS A GAUGE OF OUR ACTIVITIES IN THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS (TTPI). ALTHOUGH TTPI IS STILL ADMINISTERED BY THE U.S. UNDER A UN TRUSTEESHIP ARRANGEMENT, IT IS RAPIDLY MOVING TOWARD A NEW POLITICAL STATUS IN WHICH THE U.S. MAY ONLY HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS MATTERS, NOT DOMESTIC DEVELOPMENT. TO PROMISE SOMETHING OF OTHERS, OR TO PROMISE THAT WHICH WE ARE NOT ABLE TO DELIVER ON, IS UNLIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TENABLE.

6. USDEL'S QUANDRY THEN--AND WE WISH TO LEAVE LATITUDE FOR ITS RESOLUTION--IS HOW TO SUSTAIN U.S. POSTURE SUPPORTIVE OF AGRARIAN REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT ASSOCIATING U.S. TO THIS SPECIFIC SET OF ACTION PROPOSALS IN SECTION VI.

7. REFTELS ARRIVED COB. DEPARTMENT WILL ATTEMPT TO RE-EVALUATE RESOLUTION TOMORROW AUG. 2 AND TRANSMIT MORE DETAILED GUIDANCE TO USDEL. VANCE

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